

REMARKS

The Examiner's Final Office Action of 12/17/2004 has been reviewed.

The rejections of Claims 1 - 4 under 35 U.S.C. 112 are noted. It is considered that the minor amendments to Claim 1, line 39, changing "an" to --the-- and the deletion of the parenthetical phrase from line 41 render such claim definite and allowable. Further, Claim 2 has been amended to include the subject matter of Claim 4 with minor amendments to lines 12 and 13 to provide proper antecedent basis as recommended by the Examiner. The only claim rejected on the prior art, Claim 3, has been canceled.

Applicant is unable to respond to the Examiner's reference to "Claim 1, line 6, contains unmatched parenthesis". It appears that the Examiner is referring to Claim 4, line 6. Claim 4 has been canceled herein. If applicant is mistaken in his interpretation of this rejection, clarification is requested.

It is now apparent that this application is in condition for allowance.